



# Research on legal literacy cultivation of university counselors from the perspective of comprehensive rule of law

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**Abstract.** It is an important and urgent task to cultivate the legal literacy of college counselors from the perspective of comprehensively governing the country according to law. This is not only the requirement of the era background of governing the country by law, but also the development requirement of governing the university by law. In the process of socialist modernization, for the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation, college counselors must have good legal quality and instill correct concepts of rule of law in their students. The rule of law means that all areas of national governance should be managed and operated in accordance with the law, emphasizing the equal application, justice and fairness of the law. This means that counselors in their daily work, whether dealing with student affairs or psychological counseling, need to be based on the law and guided by the rule of law to ensure that all behaviors are carried out under the framework of the law.

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## 1 Introduction

From the perspective of comprehensively governing the country according to law, it is particularly important to cultivate the legal literacy of college counselors. This is not only related to the professional development of the counselors themselves, but also directly affects the formation of the rule of law concept and the formation of the rule of law behavior of college students. Therefore, it is of great theoretical and practical significance to conduct in-depth research on the cultivation of legal literacy of college counselors. Governing the country by law in an all-round way is the basic strategy of governing the country, which requires that the country's political, economic, social and other activities must be carried out in accordance with the law, without any interference, obstruction or destruction of individual will. In this context, college counselors, as an important force in college education and management, must have a good quality of rule of law in order to effectively perform their duties and promote the in-depth development of the work of governing the university according to law. The

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cultivation of legal literacy of college counselors needs to pay attention to the study of legal knowledge and the cultivation of legal practice ability. College counselors should have a deep understanding of legal principles, legal provisions and judicial interpretations, and master the basic concepts of law and rule of law. At the same time, they should also actively participate in legal education practice activities, such as attending legal seminars, lectures on the rule of law, court hearings, etc., in order to improve their legal literacy and practical ability. The cultivation of legal literacy of college counselors also needs to pay attention to the cultivation of legal spirit. The spirit of the rule of law is an important support for the overall rule of law, which requires people to respect the law, believe in the law, and abide by the law. College counselors should pass on the spirit of rule of law to students through their own words and deeds, guide students to establish a correct concept of rule of law, and train students' thinking and behavior of rule of law. Colleges and universities should also play an active role in the cultivation of legal literacy of counselors. Colleges and universities can provide a platform for counselors to learn and practice by setting up legal courses, holding legal education activities, and establishing legal practice bases. At the same time, colleges and universities should also establish and improve the assessment mechanism of legal literacy of counselors, and encourage counselors to constantly improve their own legal literacy.

## **2 Connotation of Related Concepts**

### **2.1 Xi Jinping Thought on Rule of Law is the Fundamental Guideline for Comprehensively Governing the Country According to Law**

Xi Jinping Thought on the Rule of Law is a major theoretical innovation that meets the needs of the era of the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation. It is the latest achievement in adapting Marxist theory of the rule of law to China. It is an important part of Xi Jinping Thought on Socialism with Chinese Characteristics for a New Era, and it is the fundamental guideline for comprehensively governing the country according to law.

*The rule of law education of Chinese Communists always adheres to the correct political direction. The rule of law education thought of Chinese Communists always adheres to the correct political direction.* This thought reflects the goal of the rule of law construction in different periods, reflects the Chinese Communists attach great importance to and profound understanding of the rule of law construction, and is an important guiding ideology and action program for promoting the rule of law in an all-round way. It can be said that on the path of socialist rule of law with Chinese characteristics, Chinese Communists have always adhered to the idea of people-centered development and regarded the construction of the rule of law as an important means to safeguard the rights and interests of the people and ensure social fairness and justice <sup>[1]</sup>. At the same time, Chinese Communists are also deeply aware that the construction of the rule of law must be combined with the Party's leadership and the socialist system to ensure that the construction of the rule of law always moves in the right political direction. In the practice of promoting comprehensive

law-based governance, Chinese Communists have always adhered to the organic unity of law-based governance and rule-based Party governance, and implemented the Party's leadership into the whole process and all aspects of comprehensive law-based governance. At the same time, Chinese Communists also pay attention to the important role of the rule of law in the modernization of the national governance system and governance capacity, and constantly improve the quality and efficiency of the rule of law construction<sup>[1]</sup>.

*Adhere to the goal of building a socialist rule of law system with Chinese characteristics to anchor the system of rule of law in China. Persisting in building a socialist rule of law system with Chinese characteristics is the key to realizing the goal of building a systematic rule of law in China.* Building a socialist system of rule of law with Chinese characteristics is the key to comprehensively governing the country according to law. This system covers legislation, law enforcement, judicial and other aspects, and is the prerequisite and foundation for building a socialist country under the rule of law. It has clarified the general program of comprehensively governing the country according to law, focusing on the operation mechanism and the systematization of the implementation operation, which is the focus of the construction of China under the rule of law in the new era and the needs of the era of strategic development. The socialist rule of law system with Chinese characteristics is the legal manifestation of the socialist system with Chinese characteristics. Adhering to the rule of law track to promote the modernization of the national governance system and governance capacity, has become an important feature of the construction of the rule of law in China at the level of national governance, its spiritual core is to take the rule of law as an important symbol of national governance modernization, the rule of law as the only way to modernization of national governance. It reflects the characteristics and advantages of China's socialist system, in the process of promoting the modernization of the national governance system and governance capacity, we must constantly adapt to the changes of The Times and the development of the situation, reform, improve and innovate various systems, mechanisms and laws and regulations, and realize the institutionalization, standardization and procedures of the Party, the state and the society's physical governance. From the perspective of practical value, adhering to the construction of a socialist rule of law system with Chinese characteristics is of great significance for promoting the rule of law in an all-round way<sup>[2]</sup>. This will not only improve the modernization of the national governance system and governance capacity, but also provide a more solid legal guarantee for economic and social development. At the same time, it will also help enhance people's sense of gain, happiness and security.

*Adhere to the rule of law, law-based governance and comprehensively promote the path of the rule of law in China.* The report to the 18th National Congress of the Communist Party of China put forward a new 16-word policy of "scientific legislation, strict law enforcement, fair administration of justice, and law-abiding by all", indicating that China's socialist rule of law construction has entered a new stage. Through scientific legislation, we will formulate and improve various laws and regulations to ensure the institutionalized, standardized and procedural operation of national and social life. This includes strengthening legislative work in key areas and

emerging areas, and promoting the formation of a comprehensive and systematic system of legal norms. Scientific legislation to ensure the formulation of good laws is the institutional premise of a country ruled by law. Strict law enforcement to maintain the authority of law is the administrative key of the government ruled by law. Ensuring fairness and justice is the key to implementing good law and good governance; Law-abiding by all people enhances social conduct, which is the civilized foundation of a society ruled by law. Governments at all levels and their functionaries must strictly abide by the Constitution and laws and adhere to the law in administration <sup>[2]</sup>. It is necessary to strengthen the construction of administrative law enforcement teams, improve the legal literacy and law enforcement level of law enforcement personnel, and ensure the legitimacy, fairness and transparency of administrative acts. We should strengthen judicial supervision, prevent judicial corruption, and safeguard social fairness and justice. Through various channels and forms, we will strengthen publicity and education on the rule of law for citizens and improve their awareness and quality of the rule of law. We should pay attention to cultivating citizens' belief in and spirit of the rule of law, and create a good atmosphere for respecting the law and abiding by it. We will actively participate in the reform and development of the global governance system and promote the building of a community with a shared future for mankind. We should strengthen legal exchanges and cooperation with other countries and regions, draw on useful experiences and practices, and promote the continuous development of the rule of law in our country <sup>[2]</sup>.

## **2.2 Uphold the Relationship Between Party Leadership and Law-based Governance**

*Upholding the Party's leadership is the guarantee for advancing the rule of law.* The leadership of the Communist Party of China is the most essential feature of socialism with Chinese characteristics; it is the fundamental and lifeblood of our country; it is tied to the interests and destiny of the people of all ethnic groups in China; and it is the highest political leadership force of the country <sup>[3]</sup>. The Party's unwavering leadership is the primary requirement for advancing law-based governance in all respects. Only by adhering to the leadership of the Party can we ensure the correct direction of comprehensively governing the country according to law and ensure that the construction of China under the rule of law will not deviate from the correct track. At the same time, the Constitution confirms the ruling status of the Communist Party of China and the Party's core position in the state power structure of the overall situation and coordination of all parties. This is the fundamental requirement of the socialist rule of law, and it is also the inherent meaning of the comprehensive rule of law <sup>[6]</sup>. To rule the country in accordance with the constitution, we must first govern the country in accordance with the constitution. The fundamental purpose of advancing law-based governance is to protect people's rights and interests in accordance with the law. And the leadership of the Party is the fundamental guarantee to realize this goal. Only through the strong leadership of the Party can we gather the consensus and strength of the whole society and push forward the comprehensive rule of law <sup>[2]</sup>.

*The rule of law is a major change in the way the Party governs.* The rule of law requires that the Party's leadership be consistent with the socialist rule of law, which does not mean that the Party's leadership should be weakened or replaced. On the contrary, it calls for consolidating the Party's ruling position and improving the party's ruling ability through socialist rule of law under the premise of upholding the Party's leadership, which is conducive to strengthening and improving the Party's leadership. In fact, upholding the Party's leadership is the fundamental guarantee to promote the rule of law, and the rule of law is a major change in the party's ruling mode and an important way to consolidate the party's ruling status and complete the party's ruling mission. In the whole process of implementing the rule of law, we must always uphold the leadership of the Party <sup>[3]</sup>. This is because only by adhering to the leadership of the Party can we ensure the correct direction of comprehensively governing the country according to law and ensure that the construction of China under the rule of law will not deviate from the correct track. This requires us to ensure that the Party leads legislation, ensures law enforcement, supports the judiciary, and takes the lead in abiding by the law. We must unify the basic strategy of governing the country according to the law with the basic means of governing the country according to the law. We must unify the Party's overall leadership and coordination with people's congresses, governments, political consultative conferences, judicial and procuratorial organs in performing their functions and carrying out their work in accordance with the law and their articles of association <sup>[7]</sup>. We should unify the Party's leadership of the people in formulating and implementing the Constitution and laws with the Party's adherence to activities within the scope of the Constitution and laws. It is good at making the Party's propositions become the will of the state through legal procedures; it is good at making candidates recommended by Party organizations become leaders of organs of state power through legal procedures; it is good at implementing the Party's leadership over the state and society through organs of state power; and it is good at using the principle of democratic centralism to safeguard the authority of the Central Committee and the unity and unity of the whole Party and the whole country. Therefore, adhering to the unity of the Party's leadership and the rule of law is an important experience for our Party to govern the country, and it is also a fundamental observance for comprehensively promoting the rule of law and accelerating the construction of a socialist country under the rule of law.

*Upholding the Party's leadership and governing the country according to law is also an inevitable requirement for realizing the Chinese dream of the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation.* To realize the Chinese dream of the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation, we must have a strong leadership core and a good legal environment. Only by adhering to the unity of the Party's leadership and the rule of law can we provide a strong guarantee for realizing the Chinese dream of the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation. The leadership of the Communist Party of China is the most essential feature of socialism with Chinese characteristics and the highest political leadership of the country. Only by adhering to the leadership of the Party can we ensure the correct direction of comprehensively governing the country according to law and ensure that the construction of China under the rule of law will not deviate from the correct track. The rule of law is a major change in the way the Party governs

and is conducive to strengthening and improving the Party's leadership. To consolidate the ruling position of the Party and improve its ruling ability through the socialist rule of law is one of the important goals of promoting the overall rule of law. To realize the Chinese dream of the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation, we must have a strong leadership core and a good legal environment<sup>[3]</sup>. Only by adhering to the unity of the Party's leadership and the rule of law can we provide a strong guarantee for realizing the Chinese dream of the great rejuvenation of the Chinese nation. Therefore, upholding the leadership of the Party and governing the country according to law is an inevitable requirement for realizing the Chinese dream of great national rejuvenation.

### **2.3 The Significance of Enhancing the Effectiveness of Legal Literacy of University Counselors**

*Legal literacy is what college students need in today's society.* As the organizer, implementor and guide of the daily ideological and political education and management of college students, the improvement of the legal quality of college counselors is of great significance for promoting the rule of law and cultivating students' legal spirit. Therefore, one of the theoretical bases of the research on the effectiveness of the rule of law literacy is to popularize the law and publicize the rule of law, so that the legal knowledge of college students can be constantly updated and the knowledge structure of the rule of law can be enriched<sup>[4]</sup>.

*Rigorous thinking of rule of law is the requirement of thinking ability of college students in the new era.* Rigorous thinking of the rule of law is also a necessary thinking ability for college counselors. Legal thinking is a basic mode of thinking that should be established in modern national governance. For counselors, legal thinking can help them better deal with student affairs, safeguard students' rights and interests, and follow laws and regulations in their work to ensure the legitimacy and standardization of work.

*The legal literacy related to the work of college counselors also needs to consider the professional characteristics and job responsibilities of counselors.* Counselors are both teachers and administrative cadres, with dual identities, their work involves students' ideological and political education, daily management, employment guidance and many other aspects. Therefore, it is necessary to fully consider the actual work of counselors in the research, combine their work characteristics and duty requirements, and explore effective ways and methods to improve the legal literacy of counselors<sup>[4]</sup>.

*Effectiveness research also needs to pay attention to the actual effect of enhancing the legal literacy of counselors.* This includes the investigation on the influence of students' rule of law literacy, the promotion of campus rule of law culture construction and the improvement of counselors' own working ability. Through empirical research, case analysis and other methods, we can evaluate the effectiveness of enhancing the legal literacy of counselors, and provide scientific basis for further improving the legal literacy training mechanism of counselors.

## 2.4 College Counselors Should Have the Rule of Law Literacy

*Equal and just rule of law literacy.* Equality and justice are the core values of a society governed by law. For college counselors, having equality and justice in the rule of law is a necessary quality for them to perform their job duties and serve the growth of students. First, equality is the cornerstone of the rule of law. Counselors should adhere to the principle of equality in their work, respect the legitimate rights and interests of every student, and give fair treatment regardless of their gender, age, race, religious belief and other differences. When dealing with student issues, counselors should adhere to a fair position, not taking sides, to ensure that every student can be treated fairly on an equal basis. Secondly, justice is the soul of the rule of law. Counselors should uphold fairness, objectively and comprehensively understand the truth of the problem, and make fair judgments based on facts and legal provisions. When dealing with student disputes, counselors should adhere to the principle of fairness, safeguard the legitimate rights and interests of students, and prevent any form of discrimination and prejudice. At the same time, counselors should actively advocate a fair culture and guide students to establish correct values and the concept of rule of law. In addition, counselors can constantly enrich themselves by participating in legal training, learning relevant laws and regulations, and paying attention to the dynamics of rule of law construction in terms of improving their own equal and fair rule of law literacy<sup>[5]</sup>. At the same time, counselors should also actively reflect on their own work attitude and methods, timely correct the shortcomings and deviations in work, and ensure that their words and deeds meet the requirements of equality and justice. Finally, the equal and fair rule of law literacy is of great significance to the work of counselors. It can not only ensure that the legitimate rights and interests of students are effectively safeguarded, but also create a fair and just campus environment to promote the healthy growth and all-round development of students. Therefore, college counselors should constantly improve their equality and justice of the rule of law and contribute their own strength to promote the construction of the rule of law campus.

*Rule of law literacy in normative procedures.* The rule of law literacy of normative procedures refers to the professional literacy and moral quality shown by individuals in following legal provisions and executing legal procedures. For college counselors, it is particularly important to have the rule of law literacy of standardized procedures, which not only relates to the legitimacy and standardization of their own work, but also directly affects the cultivation of students' consciousness of rule of law and the construction of campus rule of law culture. The rule of law literacy of standardized procedures requires college counselors to have solid legal knowledge, be able to accurately understand and apply relevant laws and regulations, and ensure that every step of the work meets the requirements of legal procedures. When dealing with students' problems, counselors should strictly follow legal procedures to ensure that students' legitimate rights and interests are protected, while preventing any form of illegal behavior. Counselors should establish a strict sense of procedure and realize the importance of legal procedures<sup>[5]</sup>. When dealing with student affairs, counselors should operate in strict accordance with the prescribed procedures and should not omit or change the procedures at will. This is not only to respect the rights and inter-

ests of students, but also to safeguard the authority of the law. In addition, counselors should actively guide students to understand and abide by legal procedures and help them establish a correct concept of the rule of law. By holding lectures on the rule of law, organizing moot courts and other activities, counselors can help students understand the specific operation of legal procedures and improve their rule of law literacy and awareness. The rule of law literacy of normative procedures also needs to be constantly reflected and improved by counselors in practice. When encountering problems at work, counselors should actively seek legal guidance and constantly improve their working methods and procedures to ensure the legitimacy and standardization of work.

*Pay attention to evidence, privacy protection of the rule of law literacy.* The legal literacy of paying attention to evidence and protecting privacy is an indispensable quality for counselors in legal education and daily management. The rule of law literacy that pays attention to evidence requires counselors to always take facts as the basis and evidence as the support when dealing with students' problems. When solving students' disputes or carrying out ideological education, counselors should guide students to treat problems rationally, respect and collect relevant evidence, and ensure that decisions and actions are based on sufficient and conclusive evidence. This helps to cultivate students' thinking of the rule of law and make them understand that evidence is the key to safeguarding their rights and interests and resolving disputes in a society ruled by law. The legal literacy of privacy protection emphasizes that counselors should fully respect students' right to privacy when performing their duties. Students' personal information, family situation, academic performance, etc. belong to the category of privacy. Counselors should strictly abide by relevant laws and regulations when collecting and using such information to ensure that students' privacy is not leaked or abused<sup>[5]</sup>. At the same time, counselors should also strengthen privacy protection education for students, help students establish a correct awareness of privacy protection, and prevent personal information from being illegally obtained or used. In practice, counselors can guide students to take the initiative to provide relevant information by strengthening communication with students and establishing trust relationships, and at the same time ensure that such information is properly kept and used. In addition, counselors can use legal and technical means, such as encrypted storage, restricted access, etc., to further enhance the protection of student privacy.

*Safeguard students' legal literacy.* It is very important for college counselors to maintain the legal quality of students' interests, which is not only related to the professional ethics of counselors, but also directly related to the legitimate rights and interests of students and the stability and harmony of the campus. Counselors should have a deep understanding of and master the laws and regulations related to the interests of students, including the Education law, minor protection law, personal privacy protection law, etc. Only with a deep understanding of the law can counselors quickly and accurately judge and safeguard the legitimate rights and interests of students when they encounter problems. Counselors should always maintain a high degree of vigilance in their daily work to find and deal with situations that may harm students' interests in a timely manner. This includes, but is not limited to, bullying, fraud, invasion of privacy, etc. Counselors should actively intervene to protect the interests of



students through legal means to avoid further deterioration of the situation. Counselors should guide students to establish a correct concept of the rule of law and help them understand and safeguard their legitimate rights and interests. By holding lectures on the rule of law and carrying out practical activities on the rule of law, counselors can enhance students' awareness of the rule of law, so that they can take the initiative to seek legal help when they encounter problems and safeguard their own interests. In addition, the counselor should also maintain close communication with the security department and legal support department of the school, and jointly develop and improve the rules and regulations for safeguarding the interests of students. When encountering complex or difficult legal problems, counselors should take the initiative to seek the support and help of the legal department to ensure that the interests of students are protected to the greatest extent.

### **3 Application of Rule of Law Literacy in Daily Work of College Counselors**

#### **3.1 The Legal Literacy of Counselors Showed a Good Trend**

*High recognition of the socialist rule of law with Chinese characteristics.* College counselors deeply understand that the rule of law of socialism with Chinese characteristics is an important part of the socialist system with Chinese characteristics, and an important guarantee for maintaining social stability and protecting the rights and interests of the people. They firmly believe that the rule of law is the basic way to govern the country and the fundamental guarantee for promoting social progress and realizing long-term peace and stability of the country. Therefore, in daily work, counselors always adhere to the rule of law thinking and legal way to deal with problems to ensure the legitimacy and standardization of work. Counselors actively study and deeply grasp the socialist rule of law theory with Chinese characteristics. They continuously improve their legal literacy and theoretical level by attending legal training and reading legal theory books. At the same time, they also pay attention to the combination of rule of law theory and students' practice, through case analysis, moot court and other forms, to guide students to understand and identify with the socialist rule of law with Chinese characteristics. Counselors also actively publicize the superiority and practical achievements of the socialist rule of law with Chinese characteristics. Through lectures and themed educational activities, they introduce the achievements and experiences of China's rule of law construction to students and guide them to establish correct concepts and values of rule of law. At the same time, they also encourage students to actively participate in the practice of the rule of law and feel the power and charm of the rule of law through personal experience. When protecting students' interests and dealing with students' problems, counselors always adhere to the principle of handling things according to law and dealing with them fairly. They respect and protect the legitimate rights and interests of students, and act in strict accordance with legal procedures to ensure that the interests of students are fully protected. At the same time, they also pay attention to cultivating students' legal

awareness and legal thinking, and help students become qualified citizens who obey the law, study the law, abide by the law, and use the law.

*Respect the Constitution and relevant legal systems.* College counselors show respect for the Constitution and related legal systems in their daily work, which is an important embodiment of the rule of law literacy. They are well aware that the Constitution, as the fundamental law of the country, has the highest legal status and legal effect, and is the basis for safeguarding national unity, ethnic unity and social stability. Therefore, counselors always adhere to the principles of the Constitution in their work and safeguard the dignity and authority of the Constitution. Counselors consciously learn the Constitution and related laws to ensure that their behavior conforms to legal norms. By attending legal training and reading legal literature, they continuously improve their legal literacy and enhance the concept of rule of law. When dealing with students, counselors always follow legal procedures to ensure that the legitimate rights and interests of students are protected. Counselors actively guide students to abide by the Constitution and laws. By holding lectures on the rule of law and carrying out practical activities on the rule of law, they popularize the knowledge of the Constitution and related laws to students and help them understand the basic principles and systems of law. At the same time, the counselors also pay attention to cultivating students' awareness of the rule of law, guiding them to consciously abide by the law and maintain social order. Counselors actively participate in the construction of campus rule of law culture. They cooperate with the relevant departments of the university to jointly improve the campus rules and regulations and promote the campus management under the rule of law. By creating an atmosphere of rule of law, counselors help students establish a correct concept of rule of law and enhance their belief in rule of law.

*The ability to analyze and solve problems with the rule of law thinking has been continuously enhanced.* In their daily work, college counselors' ability to analyze and solve problems with the rule of law thinking is constantly enhanced, which is not only the concrete embodiment of their legal literacy improvement, but also an important guarantee for promoting the rule of law management and cultivating legal talents. Counselor's thinking of rule of law is becoming more and more mature. They begin to understand the connotation and spirit of the rule of law more deeply, and can use the rule of law thinking to analyze and solve various problems encountered in their work. When dealing with student disputes and violations of rules and regulations, counselors can deal with them fairly and in accordance with the law, avoiding subjective assumptions and arbitrariness, and ensuring the legitimate protection of students' rights and interests. Counselors also pay attention to combining the rule of law thinking with practical problems, and constantly explore and innovate working methods. By carrying out legal education and organizing moot courts, they guide students to actively participate in the practice of the rule of law, and enhance students' legal awareness and practical ability. At the same time, the counselors also actively cooperated with other departments of the school to jointly promote the work of governing the school according to law, and contributed their own strength to the construction of the rule of law of the school.

### 3.2 Problems Existing in Legal Literacy of Counselors

*The unbalanced phenomenon of the level of rule of law in the affairs management of college counselors.* The phenomenon of unbalanced rule of law level in the affairs management of college counselors is mainly due to the differences of individual counselors in rule of law literacy, legal knowledge and practical experience. Some counselors may have a strong sense of the rule of law and legal knowledge, and can skillfully use legal thinking to solve problems, while others may be relatively weak in this aspect, resulting in an unbalanced level of the rule of law in the management of affairs. When dealing with student affairs, counselors may be affected by subjective factors such as personal experience and emotional factors, resulting in inconsistent results. Some counsellors may rely too much on personal experience and ignore legal procedures and regulations, while others may be overly cautious and overemphasize legal procedures, resulting in overly rigid outcomes; There are also differences in the degree of emphasis and the intensity of training on the legal education of counselors in different universities.

*The legal consciousness of college counselors should be improved.* Some counselors have deficiencies in the consciousness of law study, which are mainly manifested as lack of understanding of the importance of law study and lack of motivation for active study and in-depth research. This may lead to the lack of sufficient legal literacy and rule of law thinking when dealing with student affairs, unable to accurately and effectively use legal knowledge to solve problems.

*College counselors lack top-level design to improve their own legal literacy.* This is mainly reflected in the lack of systematic and overall planning and guidance. First, there is a lack of clear objectives and plans for rule of law education. In the training and development planning of college counselors, there is often a lack of clear goals and long-term plans for the rule of law education, which leads to the lack of clear direction and guidance for counselors to improve their rule of law literacy. Secondly, there is no overall coordination mechanism. The improvement of legal literacy of counselors involves many departments and links, and requires multi-party cooperation inside and outside the school. However, at present, there is a lack of a mechanism that can coordinate the resources of all parties and form a joint force, which makes it difficult to form a joint force for the improvement of legal literacy of counselors. In addition, scientific evaluation and feedback mechanisms are lacking. The lack of scientific evaluation and feedback mechanism for the effect of the improvement of legal literacy of counselors makes it impossible to timely understand the status quo and existing problems of legal literacy of counselors, and it is also impossible to make targeted improvement and optimization of the improvement work.

## **4 The Way to Improve the Legal Thinking of Counselors**

### **4.1 Improve the Top-Level Design, And Improve the Legal Working Mechanism of Daily Management of Counselors**

Formulate clear objectives and plans for rule of law education. Colleges and universities should formulate legal education goals and plans for counselors based on their actual conditions, clarify the content, method, time and requirements of legal education, and provide clear directions and guidelines for counselors to improve their legal literacy. Establish a mechanism for overall planning and coordination. Colleges and universities should set up a special organization or working group, responsible for coordinating the work of legal literacy improvement of counselors, integrating resources inside and outside the school, and forming a joint force. At the same time, strengthen communication and collaboration with relevant departments, form a working force, and jointly promote the improvement of legal literacy of counselors. Establish a scientific evaluation and feedback mechanism. Colleges and universities should regularly evaluate and feedback the legal literacy of counselors, understand the current situation and existing problems of their legal literacy, and make targeted improvement and optimization according to the evaluation results. At the same time, the counselors are encouraged to communicate and share, and jointly improve the level of legal literacy.

### **4.2 Strengthen the Study of Their Own Legal Theory Knowledge, and Cultivate Counselors' Belief in the Rule of Law**

First, strengthen education and training on the rule of law. Colleges and universities should regularly organize counselors to participate in legal education and training to help them deeply understand the importance of law and master basic legal knowledge and legal thinking methods. Through case analysis, simulation exercises and other forms, let counselors learn and apply legal knowledge in practice, improve their rule of law literacy and problem-solving ability. Second, establish an incentive mechanism. Colleges and universities can set up a reward mechanism to commend and reward counselors who have outstanding performance in law study, so as to motivate them to take the initiative to study and research law. At the same time, the results of law study can also be incorporated into the assessment and evaluation system of counselors, as an important basis for promotion and evaluation, and further promote their awareness of law study. Third, strengthen exchanges and cooperation among counselors. Colleges and universities can establish communication platforms among counselors to encourage them to share legal experience and discuss legal issues. Through mutual learning and reference, we can promote the common progress among counselors and improve the legal literacy and legal consciousness of the entire team of counselors. Fourth, we need to foster a sound atmosphere for the rule of law. Colleges and universities should strengthen the publicity and promotion of the rule of law culture, so that the concept of rule of law will be deeply rooted in people's hearts. By holding lectures on the rule of law and carrying out practical activities on the rule of

law, teachers and students can enhance their sense of identity and reverence for the rule of law, and provide a good environment for counselors to improve their consciousness in studying the law.

### **4.3 Develop the Awareness of Solving Problems with Legal Knowledge**

Counselors should establish the concept of the supremacy of law and deeply understand the important role of law in solving problems. When dealing with student affairs, priority should be given to legal considerations to ensure that decisions and actions comply with the requirements of laws and regulations. Secondly, counselors should take the initiative to learn and master relevant legal knowledge. By participating in legal training, reading legal literature, participating in legal practice and other ways, constantly improve their legal literacy and level. Only by mastering enough legal knowledge, can we better use law to solve problems. In addition, counselors should also focus on cultivating their own legal thinking. When dealing with problems, we should learn to analyze and judge from the legal perspective, and use legal logic and reasoning to solve problems. At the same time, we should also pay attention to training students' legal thinking and guide them to analyze and solve problems with legal knowledge. Counselors should actively explore and practice the application of legal knowledge in solving problems. When dealing with specific problems, we should dare to try to use legal knowledge to seek solutions and accumulate experience and lessons. Through practice, we can better understand and master legal knowledge, and improve the ability and level of problem solving. Develop sound regulations and procedures for student management, and provide clear work guidelines for counselors; Establish legal advice and assistance mechanisms to provide timely and professional legal support to counselors; Strengthen the supervision and evaluation of students' work, and ensure that the work of counselors meets the requirements of laws and regulations.

## **5 Conclusions**

To sum up, it needs the joint efforts of many aspects to improve the legal literacy of counselors and their ability to use in practical work. By strengthening education and training on the rule of law, participating in legal practice, establishing and improving legal guarantee mechanisms, and obtaining social support and resources, counselors' legal literacy and practical ability can be continuously improved to better serve students and contribute to the construction of the rule of law in colleges and universities.

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